

Advance Plans Committee

Summary of Meeting

7:35 a.m., January 15, 2015

Attendance

AP Committee Members: David Dennis, Joe Johnson, Don Klausmeyer, John McKay, Debra Miller Stevens

MAPD staff: Stephen Banks, Dave Barber, Scott Knebel, John Schlegel

Others: Cindy Miles

Discussion Summary

1. The Advance Plans Committee approved the summary of the September 25, 2014 Committee meeting and the agenda for the January 15, 2015 Committee meeting.
2. Cindy Miles, Co-chair of Plan Steering Committee developing the Community Investments Plan (the new comprehensive plan for Wichita-Sedgwick County) provided a summary of the various elements of the working draft Community Investments Plan. The purpose of this presentation was to inform as well as to receive comments and feedback on the working draft Plan.

The following is a summary of major comments/feedback provided by the Committee members:

- *Wichita 2035 Future Growth Concept Map* - concern expressed that the small cities surrounding Wichita will constrain the further outward and expansion of Wichita. Suburban growth will continue to be an important element of Wichita's future growth patterns. School districts have fueled the growth experienced by the small cities surrounding Wichita over the last couple of decades
 - *Wichita Urban Infill Strategy*- encourage infill development throughout the Established Central Area by reducing City fees and charges associated with the development approval and building construction process. Staff explained that the Plan is a high-level planning policy document that cannot get into implementation details and specifics. These implementation initiatives will follow if and when the high-level planning policies are supported and approved as part of this Plan.
 - *Plan Elements – Water, Sewer & Stormwater* – add a 'quote' on page 32 that speaks to the need to invest in maintaining and replacing aging water and sewer distribution systems.
 - *General comments* – Both senior city/county staff support and elected officials support will be essential to ensure the allocation of financial and staff resources to implement the priorities set forth in this plan
3. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.